

REMARKS

Response to Restriction Requirement

Applicants elect the LT-K63 species. Claims 1-17, 19-30, 35, 36, and 40-42 read on the elected species.

Applicants traverse the species election. The Patent Office states that there would be a burden to search the species "due to their mutually exclusive characteristics." Office Action at page 2. The Patent Office has, however, demonstrated that there is no undue burden in searching all the listed species. Instead of issuing the restriction requirement when the claims were amended into their current form, the Office proceeded to perform a search and identified pertinent documents thereby establishing that searching all of the species *does not* create an undue burden. The Patent Office has shown that searches will readily identify references containing all the detoxified bacterial ADP-ribosylating toxins by identifying O'Hagan, which discloses as mucosal adjuvants all of the species among which the Office now requests restriction.

Accordingly, because the Office has established there is no burden in searching all the species, Applicants request that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

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